

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
SUMMARY OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS AND AGENCY RESPONSE**

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Clearinghouse Rule Number: 08-031		Hearing Location: Madison, Wisconsin	
Rule Number: Chapter Comm 132		Hearing Date: May 14, 2008	
Relating to: Dairy Manufacturing Facility Investment Credits			
Comments: Oral or Exhibit No.	Presenter, Group Represented, City and State	Comments/Recommendations	Agency Response
Oral	Bradley Legreid Wisconsin Dairy Products Association Middleton, Wisconsin	Strongly supports the proposed rules. States they are a continuation of a concerted effort over the past four years – including passage of laws that created dairy producer tax credits and livestock producer tax credits – for helping the #1 industry in Wisconsin, which is the dairy and agricultural industry. States Wisconsin’s dairy-product manufacturers export 85% of their products, and these manufacturers can utilize any assistance, such as tax credits or elimination of cumbersome regulations, for competing nationally against the growing dairy industries in other states. Cites as an example that California can produce cheese for about 10 cents less per pound than Wisconsin.	Support is noted.

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